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STUDENT SERVICES WILL LAUNCH A
NEWSLETTER FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS.
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SEPTEMBER 7 GOLD SHIELD CEREMONY

6 PM AUDITORIUM

SEPTEMBER 21 DUAL ENROLLMENT INFO NIGHT

5:30 PM MEDIA CENTER

SEPTEMBER 29 COLLEGE FAIR ON CAMPUS

12:30-2:30 PM GYM

OCTOBER 5 BRIGHT FUTURES + FINANCIAL AID

5:30 PM MEDIA CENTER

DECEMBER 5 FAFSA COMPLETION WORKSHOP

5:30 PM MEDIA CENTER



TIMELINE

BUILDING A
COLLEGE LIST
+ MATRIX



APPLICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW

 APPLICATION EVALUATION

FINANCIAL AID OVERVIEW

PREPARE

- Rigorous Coursework
- Build College List
- Academic Fit
- Visit Campuses
- Student Led Tour
- SAT/ACT Prep + Test

SUPPLEMENTALS

- Personal Statement
- Resume
- Writing Supplementals
- Letters of Recommendation
- Recommenders

ADMISSIONS DECISION

- Accepted, Deferred, Denied
- Financial Aid Award Offers
- Enrollment Deposit
- Housing Deposit
- Send OFFICIAL Transcripts
- SCHOLARSHIPS!



SENIOR YEAR: AUGUST 1

- Applications Open
 - Common App
 - o Institutional App
- Google Drive Folder
 - Schools, Deadlines, Essay, LOR's, Supplementals, etc.

APPLICATION PORTAL

- Application Status Checklist
- SSAR
- Send Official Test Scores
- Unofficial transcripts

FINAL STEPS

- New Student Orientation
- College Advisor
- Course Selection
- Immunizations
- SCHOLARSHIPS!

I finalize application

CHECK OUT THE COLLEGE + CAREER 2024 SENIORS CLASS WEBSITE

There are TONS of resources to download to help prepare for college applications.

CREATE COLLEGE APP EMAIL

Create a free Gmail or other email account separate from other emails so all college application and scholarship information in one place. DO NOT USE OCPS EMAIL!

CREATE GOOGLE FOLDER

Create a folder in Google Drive to keep all college related documents. Create a spreadsheet of the schools applying to with deadlines, fees, supplementals, costs, etc.

EVALUATE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

Review social media and clean up if necessary to make sure they reflect the character described on applications - Colleges DO check them!





RESOURCE

Worksheet is available on the school website.

Students Services
Senior Class 2024



Professional email I use for college applications: ____

Fall:

4.2

4.3

Fall:

4.45

Summer:

schools, the amount reported will be different for in state vs. out of state students.

Final: May 1

Early Action:

October 15

Regular

Decision:

December 1

FSU

ACT:

28

SAT

1390

ACT

31

My weight	ted GPA:		My SAT	Superscore: _		MY ACT	Supersco	re:
	ask for Letters o		endation?	2000				
School	Application Deadline	Average GPA	Average Test Score	Acceptance Rate	Graduation Rate	Average Annual TOTAL Cost	Reach, Match, Safety?	How to Apply
UCF	Priority: November 1	Summer: 4.0	SAT: 1334	36%	76%	\$24,036	Match	UCF: https://www.ucf.ed u/apply-to-ucf/

83%

\$23,476

Password:

Reach

Common App

https://admissions.

fsu.edu/first-year/a

Common App

FSU:

pply/

Weighted Academic Core GPA + Test Scores + Academic Rigor are <u>BELOW</u> the range indicated; schools w/ low acceptance rates

Weighted Academic Core GPA + Test Scores + Academic Rigor are <u>WITHIN</u> the range indicated

Weighted Academic Core GPA + Test Scores + Academic Rigor are <u>ABOVE</u> the range indicated; schools w/ high acceptance rates

37%

Acceptance Rate: The percentage of first time students (freshman) who applied to the school and were accepted.

Graduation Rate: The graduation rate is the percentage of students who graduate within a specific period, usually 4 years.

Average Total Cost: The average annual net price that a student who receives federal financial aid pays to cover all expenses including tuition, fees, housing, meal plan, living expenses, etc. *Net price is the school's cost of attendance minus any grants and scholarships received. For public

DYK?! Federal law requires every Title IV college or university to have a "Net Price Calculator" available on their institution website so students and their families can more accurately determines their individual EFC, or Estimated Financial Contribution. So start researching!

The **COLLEGE MATRIX** is a helpful tool for students to make informed decisions on whether a college is an academic fit based on weighted "Academic Core" GPA and testing medians from the school's previous year's admitted students.

- 2 REACH schools Student is **BELOW** range
- 2 MATCH schools Student is **WITHIN** range
- 2 SAFEY schools Student is **ABOVE** range

FLORIDA
2112
2022-2023
COUNSELOR GUIDE

	FLORIDA				
SUS 2022-2023 COUNSELOR GUIDE		MIDDL	Middle 50%		
	NAME OF INSTITUTION	GPA	SAT	ACT	of ADMITTED students
FAMU	FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY	S: 3.5 F: 3.7	S: 1020 F: 1110	S: 16 F: 18	
FAU	FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	S: 3.22-3.80 F: 3.70-4.30	S: 1000-1120 F: 1090-1260	S: 20-23 F: 22-28	
C FLORIDA GULF-COAST UNIVERSITY	FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY	S: 3.56-4.33 F: 3.75-4.52	S: 1010-1170 F: 1090-1240	S: 19-24 F: 21-27	
FIU	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	S: 3.9-4.4 F: 4.2-4.7	S: 1070-1170 F: 1250-1380	S: 21-24 F: 26-30	
FLORIDA POLY	FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY	S: 3.8-4.5 F: 4.0-4.7	S: 1140-1250 F: 1290-1410	S: 22-27 F: 27-32	
	FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY	S: 4.0-4.4 F: 4.3-4.6	S: 1180-1300 F: 1300-1430	S: 25-29 F: 29-32	
New College	NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA	F: 3.8-4.4	F: 1110-1320	F: 22-29	
UCF UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	S: 3.8-4.3 F: 3.9-4.4	S: 1150-1270 F: 1250-1370	S: 23-27 F: 26-30	
FLORIDA	UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	S: 4.4-4.6 F: 4.4-4.6	S: 1240-1420 F: 1370-1500	S: 28-32 F: 31-34	
UNF DINVERSITY OF BOSTH FLORIDA	UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA	S : 3.37-4.30 F : 3.60-4.39	S: 1110 F: 1135	S: 22 F: 24	
UNIVERSITY ** SOUTH FLORIDA	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA	S: 3.62-4.12 F: 4.00-4.50	S: 1100-1190 F: 1240-1390	S: 22-25 F: 27-31	
*	UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA	S: 3.4-4.05	S: 1050-1170	S: 21-25	

F: 3.5-4.18

F: 1050-1220

F: 21-27

ADMISSIONS dedines



EARLY DECISION

FIRST CHOICE

Binding Decision

Non-negotiable agreement

to enroll if admitted

Your "Yale or Bust" School



EARLY ACTION

BEFORE Regular Decision

Non Binding

Earlier Decision

EA I, II, III Deadlines

(In State vs. Out of State)



REGULAR DECISION

Hard Deadline

Applications NOT
Accepted
after this date

Examples: UF, Clemson, UMiami



ROLLING DECISION

Ongoing Evaluation

Decisions are "Rolled Out" as received (2- 10 weeks)

Examples:

UCF, USF, FAU, Alabama

APPLICATION PV60255



APPLICATION

Institutional Application

Common App

ONLY CHOOSE ONE!



STUDENT PROFILE

Demographics, Family, Education, Activities, Awards/Honors



PERSONAL STATEMENT

Required
Not Required
Optional



SUPPLEMENTALS

Resume, "Why Us?"
Honors College, and
Highly Selective Extras



RECOMMENDERS + FERPA

Counselor, Teachers for LOR,
Permission to Release
Academic Records



FEE WAIVERS

Consider your family's eligibility for fee waivers

APPLICATION Process



APPLICATION STATUS PORTAL

SSAR/SPARK, SAT/ACT Scores Housing, + Other Requests



SUBMIT APPLICATION

Ideally by Priority
Financial Aid Deadline



FINANCIAL AID

FAFSA
FFAA aka Bright Futures
Institutional Need + Merit Aid



DEPOSITS

Enrollment
Decision Day - May 1
Housing



NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Academic Advisor Course Selection



WHAT ARE SCHOOLS LOOKING FOR?



DIFFERENT, BUT ALSO SIMILAR



INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES



HOLISTIC VS. ANALYTIC



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



ARE YOU WHO YOU SAY YOU ARE?

TABLE 7. PERCENTAGE OF COLLEGES ATTRIBUTING DIFFERENT LEVELS OF IMPORTANCE TO FACTORS IN ADMISSION DECISIONS: FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN, FALL 2017

Factor	N	Considerable Importance	Moderate Importance	Limited Importance	No Importance
Grades in All Courses	220	74.5	15.0	5.5	5.0
Grades in College Prep Courses	220	73.2	16.8	5.9	4.1
Strength of Curriculum	219	62.1	21.9	8.7	7.3
Admission Test Scores (SAT, ACT)	221	45.7	37.1	12.2	5.0
Essay or Writing Sample	220	23.2	33.2	24.1	19.5
Student's Demonstrated Interest	218	16.1	23.9	28.0	32.1
Counselor Recommendation	218	15.1	40.4	26.6	17.9
Teacher Recommendation	219	14.2	40.2	26.5	19.2
Class Rank	220	9.1	29.1	34.1	27.7
Extracurricular Activities	219	6.4	42.9	32.0	18.7
Portfolio	219	6.4	11.9	26.9	54.8
Subject Test Scores (AP, IB)	219	5.5	18.3	35.2	41.1
Interview	219	5.5	16.4	28.3	49.8
Work	217	4.1	28.6	36.9	30.4
State Graduation Exam Scores	218	2.3	8.7	18.8	70.2
SAT II Scores	216	1.9	5.6	14.8	77.8

SOURCE: NACAC Admission Trends Survey, 2018-19.

WHAT IS A SCHOOL PROFILE?

A school profile provides summary information about the school's student body, curricular offerings, and grading system. grade evaluation gpa calculations rank

test data

ACADEMIC STATISTICS (FY 2023)

school stats + noteables

demographics

post secondary

matriculation

WEST ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL 2023-24

West Orange High School, founded in 1975, is located in Winter Garden, Florida, a suburban residential community of 46,000 and 14 miles west of downtown Orlando. WOHS is a comprehensive four year public high school with a rich tradition in providing students a rigorous, dynamic academic curriculum coupled with internationally acclaimed performing arts programs and perineally competitive athletic teams.



55 varsity

and iv

athletic teams

in 36 sports

ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS (FY 2023)

2692 ENROLLMENT

internationally

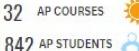
recognized



innovative

career and

ETHNICITY



modern

languages

offered up



award

culinary arts

program

FREE REDUCED LUNCH

MATRICULATION TO CAREER + MILITARY





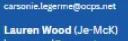
decorated.

Air Force

JROTC

program





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AP Coordinator Meke Smith

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MATRICULATION TO 2 OR 4 YR COLLEGE

CEEB 101885

academic courses available

Graduation Rate Senior GPAs Acceleration Dual Enrollment



HONORS COURSES OFFERED

Accounting 1 + 2
African American History Debate 3, 4, 5, 6, +7 Digital Video Tech 1, 2, 3,+4 Engineering Design + Constr Agricolence Foundations Algebra 1 Algebra 2 English 1, 2, 4, + 4 Harticulture 2, 3, + 4 Intro to Engineering Design Jaco Sand 5

Chemistry Chanus 5 + 6 Civil Engineering * Architect

Creative Photo 3 AP COURSES OFFERED

Calculus SC: Capetone Diploma Seminar + Research Ceramics + 3D Portfolio

Drawing Portfolio

European History Human Geography Macroeconomics

rench 3 + 4

legal Aspects of Susiness Management • HR Marine Science Materials + Product Orchestra 5 + 6

Principles of Engineeri

Women's Studies

Paychology.

Studio Art 20 Studio Art 30

US Covernmen

22

10M SCHOLARSHIP DOLLARS AWARDED 3 Social Science 1 Fine Art

47

STUDENTS EARNED 3 OR HIGHER ON AT LEAST 1 AP EXAM

1 PE/Health 8 Electives

3 Science

GRAD REQUIREMENTS

Dual Enrollmen

GRADING SCALE

A 90-100

B 80-89

C 70-79

D 60-69 F 59 or below

RANKING GUIDELINES

Class rank is based on studer weighted GPA on a 6.0 scale.

Fall Junior year Spring Junior year FINAL February Senior year

GRADE FORGIVENESS

tudents who receive a D or F rgiveness. The old grade will still appear on transcripts, but the new grade of a C or better will be factored into GPA.

UF FLORIDA Grades 11 - 12 3.6 unweighted GPA 1100 SAT or 22 ACT or 1130 PSAT EMBRY-RIDDLE Grades 9 - 12

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Grades 9 - 12 3.0 unweighted GPA Qualifying Test Scores

WOHS has dual enrollment articulation agreements with the following colleges/universities:

3. 8 unweighted GPA 1330 SAT or 28 ACT

Qualifying Test Scores 2.0 unweighted GPA Test Score Not Required

westorangehs.ocps.net

STUDENT



OVERALL

Competitive
Relative to School's Selectivity
Not "One Dimensional"
Depth Over Breadth
Leadership



COURSES + GPA

School Profile
Rigor Attempted
Grades
5 Academic Cores Each Year
Math Senior Year



TEST SCORES

ACT
SAT
Test Optional
No Preference unless specified



EXTRACURRICULAR

Sports
Clubs
Theatre
Music/Band
Community Organizations



JOB + COMMUNITY

Paid Work + Volunteer Hours



AWARDS + HONORS

During High School

ADMISSIONS



GPA

The average value of a student's accumulated final grades earned in all coursework attempted, pass or fail.

OCPS uses a 6.0 scale

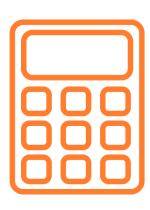


WEIGHTED GPA

Average AFTER extra points added for AP, AICE, Dual Enrollment

+ 1.0 Honors

+2.0 AP, AICE, Dual Enrollment



RECALCULATED GPA

Usually "Academic Core" courses + any weight the school gives

On a 5.0 scale

Does Not Factor in
Non-Academic Courses
or Electives
(Band, Theatre, Arts, etc)

Recalculates GPA with school's rubric



BRIGHT FUTURES GPA

Weighted GPA from the
16 BEST Academic Core
classes used to
determine a student's
Bright Futures
Eligibility

STANDARDIZED



TEST REQUIRED

ACT or SAT REQUIRED for admission decision

Superscored

No Preference on ACT vs. SAT

Submit improved scores as long as school will accept

Delayed? Waitlisted? --> Test Score



TEST OPTIONAL

ACT or SAT score NOT REQUIRED for admission decision

Superscored

General Rule
If scores will help --> SUBMIT
If not --> WITHHOLD

If submitted, scores WILL BE considered in the application evaluation



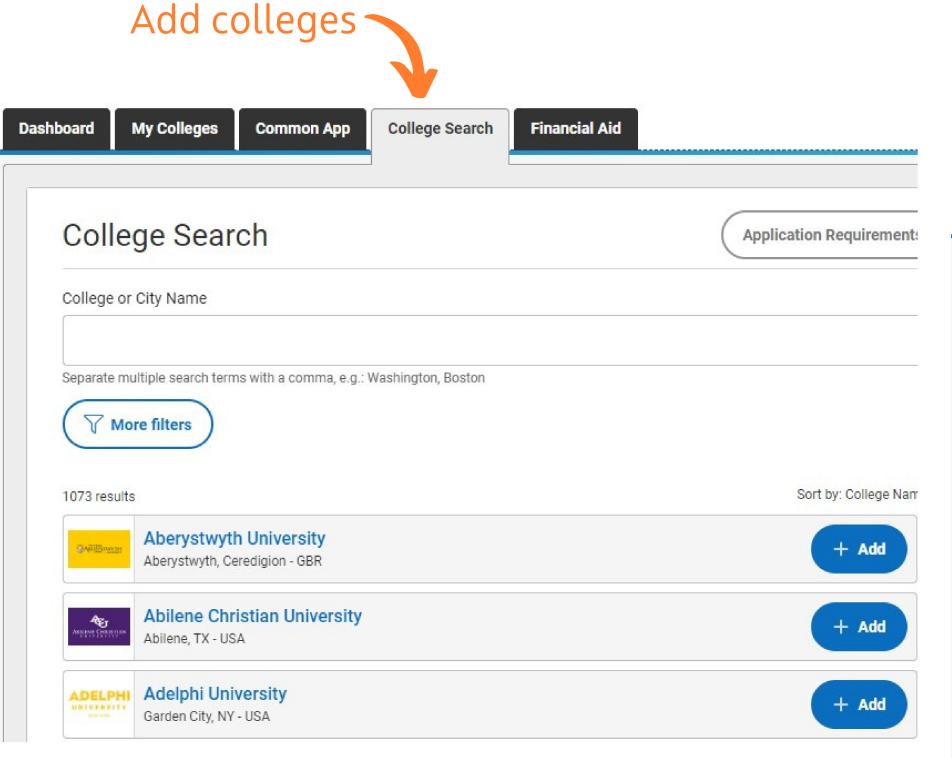
TEST BLIND

Test scores are not considered in the application evaluation whether they are submitted or not submitted



Students can opt to submit
ACT or Sat scores,
or other tests the school
will consider.
(AP Exams, IB exams, etc)

Only about 50 schools nationwide





RESOURCE

Quick Guide is available on our school website.

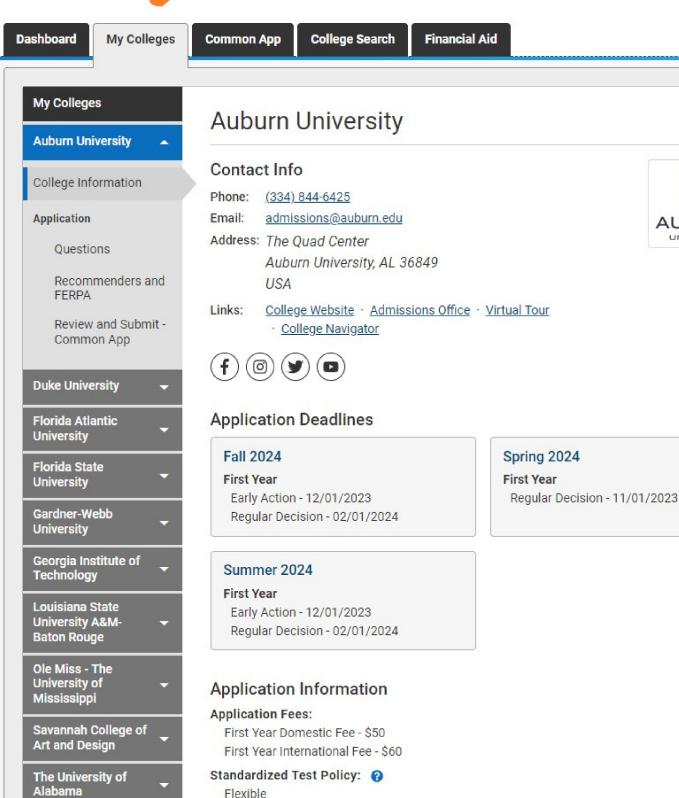
Quick Guide to College Applications

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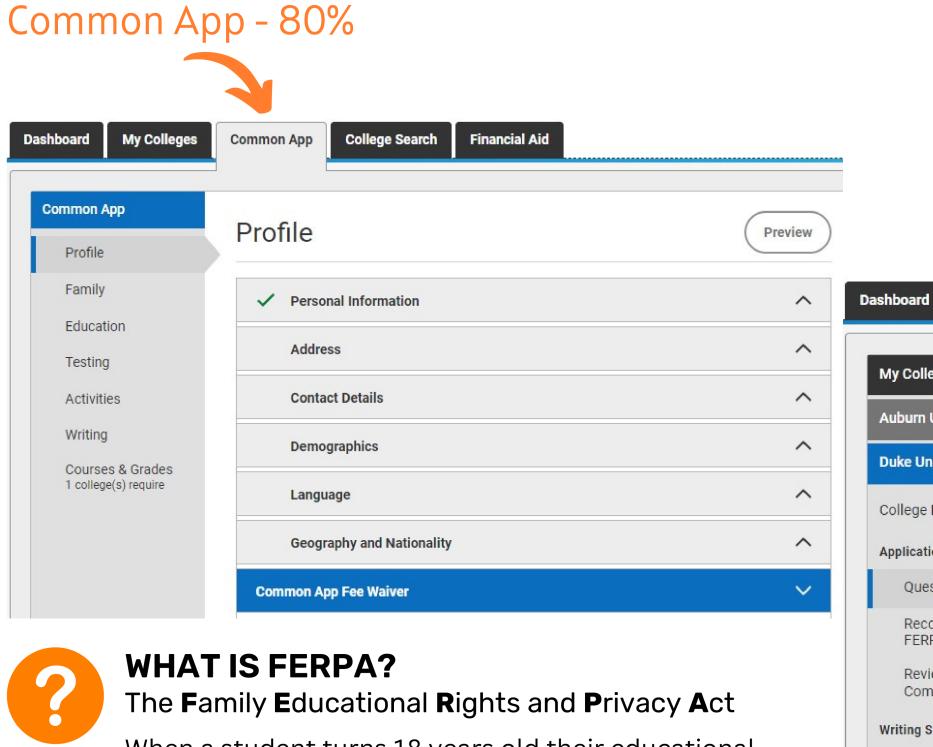
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AUBURN



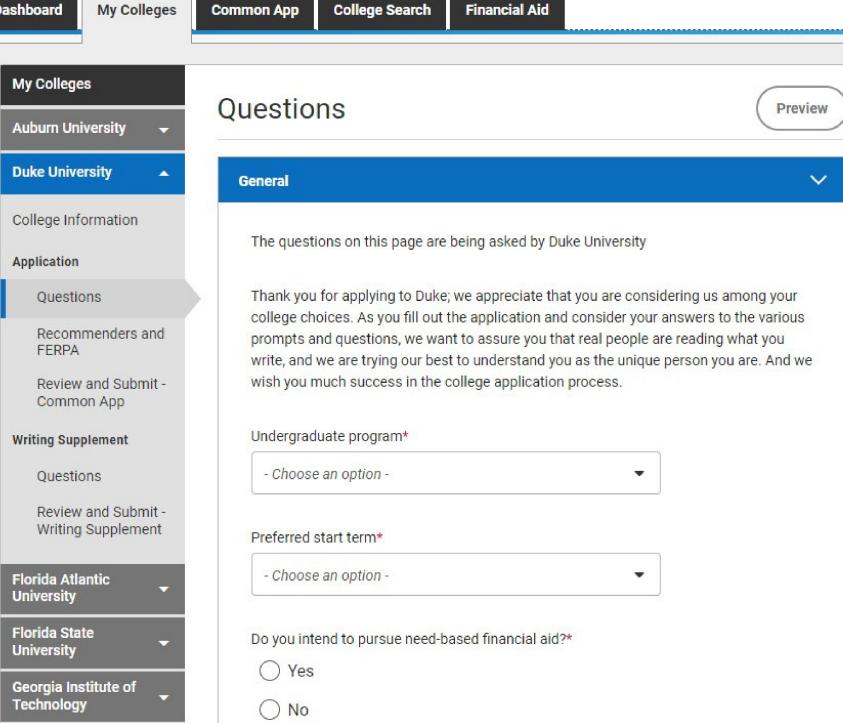
SAT without Essay or ACT without Essay



When a student turns 18 years old their educational records rights transfer from parents to student.

Waiving FERPA rights allows counselors to release their academic records (transcripts) and lets colleges know that students do not intend to read recommendations, which helps reassure colleges that the letters are candid and truthful.





PERSONAL STATEMENT



WHAT IT IS...

Attention Grabbing

Read to understand more about character, background, values

Share something NEW

A compelling, natural story about an important personal growth experience or passion

Usually the most difficult part



WHAT IT ISN'T...

About a cliched topic (aka COVID or a Sports Injury)

About a Family Member

An impersonal, cold story

A traditional 5 paragraph essay

A place to "crowbar" your resume



RESOURCES

College Essay Guy

www.collegeessayguy.com

YouTube: College Essay Guy

FREE GUIDE

Example Essays

Supplemental Examples

Brainstorming Exercises



APPLICATION PORTAL CHECKLIST

The "Future Student Portal" is where all additional information each school requests will be uploaded/submitted.



Applications are not complete until all items in the Checklist are





Application Checklist

Please note that documents take time to process and that updates to your checklist are not immediate. Please review our Deadlines & Instructions.

Status	Details	Date
✓ Received	Early Decision Agreement	10/06/20
✓ Received	Secondary School Report	10/08/20
✓ Received	Official High School Transcript	10/08/20
X Received	ACT/SAT Scores (Official or Self-Reported)	10/06/20
X Received	Academic Teacher Recommendation	10/06/20

Request to Withdraw Application

If you would like to withdraw your application, please complete the Application Withdraw Form.

upload supplementals

Upload Materials

The material upload option below should be used to send updates to your application after submission, including items that may be required by the Office of Virginia Status. Other examples are changes in classes listed, recent honor or award designation, or any school disciplinary actions.

We respectfully ask that you refrain from submitting resumes, art supplements or official documents, such as transcripts, school reports, and teacher recommendations through the uploader. Official application items must be sent directly from your school official.

*For more information on submitting an art supplement, please visit the Slideroom instructions.

self report or send official scores

Official testing we have received from you (highest only):
(official testing is only required of matriculating first-year student

transfer applicants to the Teacher Education program in the Curry School of Education.)

▼ Choose File No file chosen

SAT EBRW: ACT Composite: TOEFL IBT Total: **IELTS** Total:

Self-reported testing we have received from you (highest only): and (official testing is only required of matriculating first-year students and transfer applicants to the Teacher Education program in the Curry School of Education.)

SAT ACT TOEFL IBT Total: IELTS Total:

Math:

EBRW: Composite:

WHAT IS SSAR? Self-Reported Student Academic Record

The SSAR is a self report of a student's transcript.

The SSAR makes it easier for admissions counselors to evaluate a student's transcript using a visually organized and standardized format.

The purpose is to show:

- Rigor + Progression
- Grades (Grade Forgiveness)
- Recalculated GPA

Not all schools use the SSAR. UCF uses SPARK



RESOURCE

SSAR Guide is available on our school website.

Students Services

Senior Class 2024

AICE, AP, IB Dual Enroll Honors Pre Regular Transcript information current as of 2019-10-30.

Year	English	Math	Natural Sciences	Social Sciences	World Language	0	ther
2016		ALG 1 HON (0.5) ALG 1 HON (0.5) GEO HON (0.5) GEO HON (0.5)	A A A A				
2017	ENG HON 1 (0.5) ENG HON 1 (0.5)	A ALG 2 HON (0.5) A ALG 2 HON (0.5)				A TEAM SPRTS A TEAM SPRTS AVID 1 (0.5) AVID 1 (0.5)	
2018	ENG HON 2 (0.5) ENG HON 2 (0.5)	A PRE-CALCULUS HON (0.5) A PRE-CALCULUS HON (0.5)				A AVID 2 (0.5) A AVID 2 (0.5) DRIVER ED C	CLASS (0.5)
2019	AP ENG COMPO (0.5) AP ENG COMPO (0.5)	A AP CALCULUS AB (0.5) A AP CALCULUS AB (0.5)				A AVID 3 (0.5) A AVID 3 (0.5) HOPE (0.5) HOPE (0.5)	A A A
2020		P AP CALCULUS BC (0.5) AP STAT (0.5)	IP IP IP			P AVID 4 (0.5) P AVID 4 (0.5) CULINARY AF	
Acade	mic Unit Count						Total
Total Units	4.00	7.00	3.00	5.00	4.00	7.50	30.50
In Prg	1.0(2.0	0.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	7.00

2019-10-30	Total Units Attempted	Total GPA Units	Total Quality Points	GPA
Unweighted	23.0	18.0	71.0	3.94
FSU Core	23.0	18.0	82.5	4.58

ADMISSIONS delisions



ACCEPTANCE

Consider Financial Aid Enrollment Deposit New Student Orientation



DEFERRAL

A Second Chance Applied for Fall; offered Summer or Spring



DENY

Out of Your Control Remember What We Don't Know Bright Side



RESCINDED

Academic Decline Academic Dishonesty Behavioral Violations

PATHWAY programs offer guaranteed admission into a FL SUS when a student completes their AA or AS degree at the state college partner.

DIRECT CONNECT TO UCF®

GUARANTEED ADMISSION TO UCF

DirectConnect to UCF guarantees admission (consistent with university policy) to UCF with an associate degree (A.A.) or articulated (A.S.) degree from one of our partner state colleges.

Benefits:

- Shorter time to complete your degree
- · Personal Success Coach
- Smooth transition and enrollment assistance
- Access to UCF transition services, activities and events

PARTNER STATE COLLEGES



















* State colleges require a GED or high school diploma, no minimum GPA or Test Scores required for admission.

WHAT TERM SHOULD I APPLY FOR?

WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?

WHAT IF I DON'T GET A DECISION AFTER A LONG TIME?

HOW MANY LOR'S SHOULD I GET?

WHAT IF I EARN MY AA WHEN I GRADUATE?

CAN I PAY ENROLLMENT DEPOSITS AT 2 SCHOOLS?

\$ FINANCIAL AID

FINANCIAL

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BRIGHT FUTURES
FINANCIAL AID
INFO NIGHT
OCOTBER 5, 2023
MEDIA CENTER



FAFSA

Federal Application

"Required" for most

Estimated Family Contribution

Private Information

OPENS DECEMBER



FFAA

Florida Application

Required for Bright Futures Academic, Medallion, + Gold Seal Scholarships

OPENS OCTOBER 1



CSS PROFILE

Primarily for Ivy/Selective schools

Non Federal Institutional Aid

OPENS OCTOBER 1



FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES ALL COLLEGES TO HAVE A NET PRICE CALCULATOR ON THEIR WEBSITE

The NPC is a tool that allows families to estimate net price of attending a particular college.

FINANCIAL



NEED BASED AID

Financial Aid based on financial need + possibly other eligibility requirements.



MERIT BASED

Financial Aid offered by a school or scholarship foundation in recognition of student achievement.



STACKING

Financial Aid offered by a school or scholarship foundation in recognition of student achievement.







QUESTION TIME.

BROOKE MAROTH, MS

College + Career Counselor
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Schedule An Appointment

www.calendly.com/wohs_ccc/appointments

